APPLICATION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

IRI-43833v1

- I, Roman E. Darmer, declare and state as follows:
- 1. I am a member of the bar of the State of California in good standing and am admitted to practice before this Court. On May 16, 2011, I was appointed as CJA counsel of record for defendant Edward Showalter in connection with resentencing proceedings in his case following remand of this case for resentencing by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.
- 2. As of December 31, 2011, I voluntarily resigned from the CJA panel for this District and continued this representation on a pro bono basis to ensure continuity of representation.
- 3. On June 6, 2011, a written agreement with a limited scope of engagement was entered into and signed by Jones Day and Mr. Edward R. Showalter. As explained to Mr. Showalter and as included in the engagement agreement, the scope of the representation was expressly limited to "the handling of proceedings in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California" and would "not extend to any other proceedings in any other court." A true and correct copy of the Engagement Letter is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 4. Mr. Showalter has been given reasonable advance notice of the intent to withdraw both orally and in writing. On June 6, 2011, the engagement letter laid out the limited scope of the representation. On numerous occasions including October 10, 2012, Mr. Showalter was informed by me of my firm's intent to withdraw upon conclusion of the resentencing proceedings in this Court. On October 12, 2012, I sent Mr. Showalter a letter explaining that my firm would file an application to withdraw as counsel. A copy of these motion papers will be served on Defendant.

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5. Jones Day has met its obligation under the engagement letter by representing Mr. Showalter through the conclusion of the resentencing proceeding in this Court.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 17th day of October, 2012.

/s/ Roman E. Darmer Roman E. Darmer